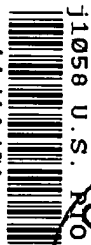


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Inventor: Gary Nolen
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Filed: November 19, 2001

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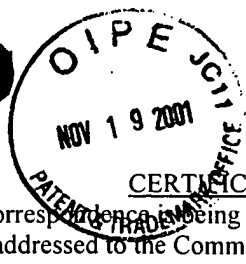
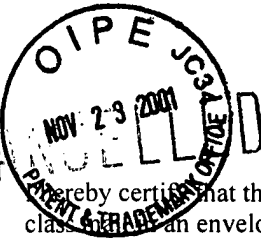
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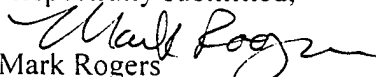
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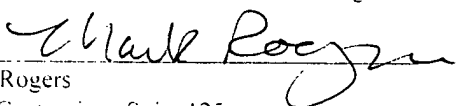
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